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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	09/701,376	KOBAYASHI ET AL.
	Examiner	Art Unit
	Callie E. Shosho	1714

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Callie E. Shosho. (3) _____

(2) Stefan Koschmieder. (4) _____

Date of Interview: 4/30/04 & 5/3/04.

Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference
c) Personal [copy given to: 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: _____.

Identification of prior art discussed: Watanbe et al. (U.S. 5,684,099).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Callie E. Shosho

Examiner's signature, if required

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Contrary to examiner's position in the Advisory Action mailed 4/23/04, Mr. Koschmieder argued that the declaration does establish unexpected or surprising results over the "closest" prior art Watanabe et al. given that the declaration compares propylene-ethylene block copolymer composition within the scope of the present claims with propylene-ethylene block copolymer composition outside the scope of the present claims but within the scope of Watanabe et al. and establishes that the composition of the present invention is superior in terms of Izod impact strength at -20°C.

The examiner agreed with Mr. Koschmieder's position regarding the comparison found in the declaration, however, the examiner noted that Watanabe et al. discloses Izod impact strength using units of hr·cm/cm while the declaration discloses Izod impact strength in units of kg·cm/cm. The examiner noted that the table on page 2 of the declaration discloses the same values of Izod impact strength as disclosed in Table 6 of Watanabe et al. but using units of kg·cm/cm. The examiner questioned how the Izod impact strength restated in the declaration from Watanabe et al. could be the same when the units of measurement were different or how the Izod impact strength values of Watanabe et al. measured in hr·cm/cm could be compared with Izod impact strength of present invention which appear to be measured in units of kg·cm/cm.

Mr. Koschmieder agreed to address the difference in units in the next response but noted that it is known to one of ordinary skill in the art that the method used to measure Izod impact strength in Watanabe et al., i.e in accordance with JIS K7110, closely corresponds to the method used to measure the Izod impact strength of the compositions of the present invention, i.e. in accordance with ASTM D256 .